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## BORDER BOTHER AFGHAN ARMY HELPING BRITISH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, December 18.  
Reuter learns that a large and well-equipped Afghan army has left Kabul and arrived at Jalalabad in the neighbourhood of which the murderers of British subjects are hiding. The British military authorities are taking all necessary steps to co-operate with the Afghans.

AFGHAN MINISTER'S STATEMENTS.  
The alleged anti-British statements attributed to the Afghan Minister in Paris are officially declared in London to be entirely baseless. The Minister is known to be somewhat unfriendly to Britain. Apart from the murders of British subjects there have been other grounds for complaint in regard to the attitude of the Afghan Government owing to its continual interference with the tribes on the British side of the frontier. Consequently, by virtue of the Anglo-Afghan treaty it has been found necessary to prevent the passage of arms and munitions to Afghanistan until a satisfactory settlement is reached.

## TANGIER TANGLE SETTLED AT LAST.

PARIS, December 18.  
The convention settling the international status of Tangier was signed by Britain, France and Spain at the Quai d'Orsay this afternoon. The Spanish delegates only signed *ad referendum*. The protocol will remain open some time to enable the Spanish Government to study and test before the final signature.

BRITISH DIPLOMACY TRIUMPHS.  
LATER.  
The signing of the Tangier Convention is regarded as a triumph for British diplomacy, ending a decade of wrangling. The Convention opens a fine opportunity for British Trade. The port of Tangier will be modernised and capitalisations will disappear. British residents will be answerable to the British Court alone. It is hoped the compromise effected will obviate friction between the conflicting authorities—French, British, Spanish and Italian.

LATER.  
The Tangier convention provides for permanent neutrality forbidding all fortifications and places the port under an international regime, giving economic equality to all nations.

## GREEK CROWN TROTTERS.

### "DOWN WITH THE KING!"

ATHENS, December 18.  
Prior to the Cabinet's communication to the King the Republicans organised an anti-dynastic meeting, the demonstrators including soldiers and sailors. A speech by the naval ex-Commander was received with cries of "Down with the King." The demonstrators went in procession to the Premier's office shouting similarly. They submitted a resolution in favour of dethronement. Thereupon the military and political leaders conferred and informed the demonstrators that the Cabinet would consider the resolution.

## HOME CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

### NEW SCORING SYSTEM.

LONDON, December 18.  
The M.C.C. has carried a resolution to the effect that the scoring for the county championship shall be five points for a win in a completed match. Should the match not be completed, the side leading in the first innings shall score three points and their opponents one. In the event of a tie the points shall be divided. Matches in which no result on the first innings is attained will not be included in the table of results.

## EUROPEAN PROBLEMS.

LONDON, December 18.  
Speculation has been evoked by the brief visit of Sir John Bradbury to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald at Lissieu to-day which is believed to have some bearing on Sir John Bradbury's endeavour to secure representative men to assist in the settlement of European problems.

Sir John Bradbury, interviewed, explained that he consulted Mr. MacDonald and also other leaders of parties, regarding suitable men for membership of the Reparations Enquiry Committee.

## POLAR FLIGHT.

CHRISTIANIA, December 18.  
Captain Amundsen states that agreements have been concluded enabling him to carry out his proposed Polar flight from Spitzbergen to Alaska. The Expedition with at least three machines will go northward at the earliest opportunity flying between May and August.

## HOME POLITICS. GOVERNMENT'S DAYS NUMBERED.

### MR. ASQUITH'S PREDICTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, December 18.  
At a meeting of Liberal members of the House of Commons at the National Liberal Club Mr. Asquith said there had been no overtures, whatever by the Liberals with the leaders of either of the other parties. He intended to preserve that freedom completely. The Liberals controlled the situation and the days of the present Government were numbered. The Government's record was one of impotence. They had reduced the country to a cipher in the councils of the world and he would not move a finger to connive at the prolongation of their disastrous stewardship. (Mr. Lloyd George said he completely agreed with Mr. Asquith's policy.)

## WORK FOR BRITAIN.

### MALAYAN TIN COY'S SCHEME.

LONDON, December 18.  
The Industrial Daily News learns on good authority that it is expected the Treasury will shortly approve the application of the Malayan Tin Dredging Company, Limited for a guarantee. It is stated that the Company propose to carry out extensive developments, including the erection of an electrical power station, electrifying the existing plant and construction of a powerful new electrical dredge. If the negotiations with the Trade Facilities Advisory Committee are successful the whole of the contracts will be immediately placed with British engineers.

## MEXICAN MELEE.

### FEDERAL FORCE SUCCESSES.

MEXICO CITY, December 18.  
The War Department announces that the Revolutionaries have evacuated Puebla and that the Federal forces have occupied Almaz and Luca-Gonzalez.

LATER.  
It is officially announced that the Federal forces have taken San Marcos capturing an immense amount of ammunition, small arms, and a number of guns. Several trains are steadily advancing on the rebels seaport stronghold.—Reuter's American Service.

## HOME RAILWAYS.

### THREATENED TROUBLE AVERTED.

LONDON, December 18.  
It is understood that all question of railway trouble has been removed by the award of the Railway Wages Board signed to-day which does not contemplate any serious reduction in wages. All the members endorsed the report, the Companies' representatives abandoning their larger demands in view of the recent rise in the cost of living while it is believed the Mens' Unions are prepared to agree to the abolition of certain anomalies which the Companies consider productive of wasteful working and over-dapping.

## EMPIRE FELLOWSHIP.

### LAUDABLE MOVEMENT.

LONDON, December 18.  
The Prince of Wales has accepted the presidency of the fellowship formed in connection with the Empire Exhibition with a view to recruiting enthusiasts in the Empire to assist the Empire trade industry, instituting prizes designed to further imperial education; also scholarships of £1,000 each for settlement of young Britons overseas and the education of young Dominioners from Great Britain. Mr. Baldwin has sent a message wishing the Fellowship success.

## RUSSIA REBUKED.

### NO BARTERING.

WASHINGTON, December 18.  
Mr. Hughes has indirectly informed the Russian Government that there seems presently no reason for negotiations as suggested in M. Chicherin's message, mentioned yesterday, and added that the American Government is not proposing to barter away its principles. Moscow should, as evidence of good faith, restore confiscated American property, or make a compensation—repatriation of Russian's obligations to America. The Government cannot enter into negotiations until proposals against the overthrow of institutions in the United States is abandoned.—Reuter's American Service.

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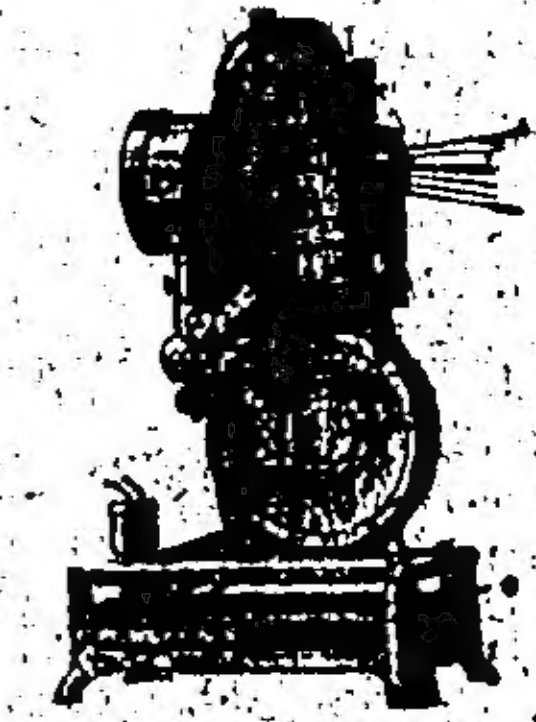
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## LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS  
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Public AuctionsMessrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS  
have received instructions from the  
Liquidators of the Hongkong  
HIDE & LEATHER CO., Ltd.  
(in Liquidation)

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

FRIDAY

The 21st day of December 1923,

at 3 o'clock p.m.

at their Auction Rooms in Duddell Street  
The Property, Machinery and  
Plant, and Tanning Chemicals of  
the above Concern  
(to be sold in 3 Lots subject to  
a Reserve)Lot 1 THE EXTENSIVE WELL  
BUILT, COMMODIOUS AND  
MODERN PREMISES situate  
at Ma Tau Kok, Kowloon, on  
K.I. Lots Nos. 1287 and 640  
which containAN AREA OF 110,000 Sq. Ft.  
held under Crown Leases for 75  
years from the 18th December  
1911 with an option as to Lot  
No. 1287 of a further 75 years  
subject to a Crown rent of \$500  
per annum. The premises are  
within the offensive trade area  
as defined by the Sanitary  
Authorities and a licence has  
been granted by the Govern-  
ment to carry on the business  
of a tannery in all respects  
thereon. The property is situated  
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is inCLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE  
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The Tanning Machinery and Plant  
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and Plant and Chemicals, apply to the  
Vendor's Solicitors.Messrs. WILKINSON & GRIST,  
Hongkong.or to  
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3, Duddell Street,  
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Hongkong, 7th, December 1923.

on

THURSDAY, December 20, 1923,

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A Fine Selection of Toys.

Comprising:—

Dolls, tenets, motor cars, foot balls,  
rocking horses, stockings, furniture  
etc., and various other toys.

Also

Xmas Crackers.

On View from Wednesday, the 19th  
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Terms:—Cash on delivery.

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Hongkong, 14th December 1923.

## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELE-  
GRAPH COMPANY, LTD.The following unclaimed telegram-  
s are lying at the office of The  
Great Northern Telegraph Company  
(Limited):—

Protection, from Kobe.

Notice Hongkong Hotel, from Shang-  
hai.Yasukawa Fukai Yoko Kakegai, from  
Takato.Fowler Hongkong and Shanghai  
Bank, from Shanghai.

Chow Hongkong Hotel, from Kobe.

Satozono Nihonyosen, from Kobe.

K. Yamada Hotel, from Wanchai,  
from Kobe.Hangchow 363 Queen's Road, from  
Shanghai.

Tong Hing Lung, from Nagasaki.

0679, from Ningpo.

Yoshinaka, from Shanghai.

Yimyip Chung Shing Street West  
Point, from Shanghai.Wan Ching 221 Queen's Road, from  
Marseilles.

Uylykko, from Amoy.

Toku 223 Queen's Road, from  
Shanghai.N. LUND,  
Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1923.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRA-  
LIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.List of unclaimed telegrams lying in  
E. E. Telegraph Office, Hongkong:

Deacon, from New York.

Hindmarsh, from Shanghai.

R. M. MACALPINE,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1923.

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## ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOK.

Balzac's Morning.

A very heavy sleeper, he used to

set a big alarm-clock he carried

about with him, for two o'clock in the

morning, and on rising in his

little room at Saché he made a cup

of coffee on a spirit lamp. When

he had drunk this and eaten several

slices of dried toast, he sat up in

bed, on a sort of portable desk

continued to write for hours at a

stretch. When in the midst of a

story, he was known to continue

until five o'clock in the evening, his

only nourishment being coffee and

toast. Then he would rise, dress

for dinner and remain with his

hosts until ten o'clock, when he

would retire for the night.

When Balzac had once decided

on the theme for a new novel, he

wrote it straight off, leaving spaces

only when documents of which he

was in need were lacking. Having

completed his documentation, he

made what modifications he con-  
sidered necessary, and finally hewent over his text a third time,  
sentence by sentence, so that when

his MS. was ready for the printers

hardly a single phrase of the first

draft remained.

Humour in the Courts.

A husband replying to a wife's

complaint at Tottenham that he

was not maintaining her, said he

reduced her "wages" to £2.6s. a

week because she didn't give him

that attention a wife should give

her husband.

One woman at Wood Green of

another: "She threw a broom and

exclaimed: 'Now, I am

going to start to kill you and when

my sister Kate comes home she will

finish you off."

When I served the summons

she flung her 'make-up' pot at me,

and I left looking like a Red

Indian, said a witness at Bow

County Court.

Wife at Bow County Court: "The

only difference when I married

was that I left a 'part-time' job for

a 'whole-time' job."

Wilkeson Magistrate, to witness

applying for her expenses: You

came here as an act of kindness,

and will no doubt be paid—but not

in cash.

A police witness at North Lon-

don, in a drunk and disorderly

charge, said the prisoner was lean-

ing against the railings blowing a

police whistle for a taxi cab.

A seaman charged at West Ham

for assault said he was "not cap-

able" at the time. Clerk: "Drunk

or insane?" Seaman: "I lost my

senses."

## A Meteor.

An interesting description of a

meteor of extraordinary brilliancy

has been received from the com-  
mander of the Royal Mail SteamPacket Company's *Orbita*. In the

official report—which was sent to

the United States Hydrographic

Office in New York—appears the

following: "In latitude 46.12 N.,

longitude 38.43 W., at 5.55 a.m.,

G.M.T., a meteor of extraordinary

brilliance was observed travelling

at a great speed from the direction

of the constellation of Pegasus

through Cassiopeia, and vanishing

in the vicinity of the Great Bear.

The meteor appeared to burst in the

region of Cassiopeia, illuminating

the heavens from horizon

to horizon. Such was the vividness

of the flash that the observers

temporarily blinded, being unable

to see for about five minutes. The

meteor appeared to be about four

times the size of Sirius, and for a

period of about 20 minutes after its

passage a brilliantly luminous

vaporous gas remained in the sky

marking the meteor's trail."

What to Wear?

I am hidden to go to a party.

A Fancy Dress, slap-up affair;

I have sent an acceptance that's

hearty.

But cannot think what I can wear;

Perhaps I might venture to mooch

in.

As Hodge with a miniature

plough;

Or should I look better as Chu Chin

Of China whose surname is

Chow.

Shall I purchase some hose and a

doublet?

Should I pose as a babe in a

pram?

Shall I go as a house that is sub-

let.

And look like the "flat" that I

am?

What price me an Emperor?

(Nero?)

Should I cut any ice as a Greek?

But how grateful we should be that

we forget, or seem to forget so

much: "How embarrassed with

luggage we should soon become if

it were not for oblivion. How in-

hibited we should soon become if

we remembered all our disappoint-

ments and failures. How depressed

we should soon become if we

had to remember all the ugly sights

we have seen; all the cruel things

we have heard.

—HARTLEY CARRICE.

Hongkong.

The lady from Hongkong com-

plained at breakfast that her

steward had forgotten to close her

port window last night. "I tried to

get up and shut it myself. Quite

suddenly the wind was terribly

open and I do know my window was

open. I might have got an awful

chill. So careless. Now, on the

F. &amp; O." She had travelled

widely, the lady from Hongkong;



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**THE FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING** of Shareholders will be held at the office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 20th December, 1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 30th September, 1923, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from FRIDAY, the 7th December, 1923, until THURSDAY, the 20th December, 1923, both days inclusive.

**SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,**  
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Hongkong, 30th November, 1923.

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**NOTICE.**

MR. W. A. STEPHENS has been appointed Manager of the Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company's business in Shanghai and North China and takes up his new duties from January 1st next.

MR. H. C. SHRUBSOLE succeeds MR. STEPHENS as Manager for Hongkong and South China.

**VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.**

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of members will be held at the Club on FRIDAY the 21st of December, 1923 at 5.30 p.m.

R. C. WITCHELL,  
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1923

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Frankfurter Sausage \$1.00 per tin.  
Do. 11.00 per doz.  
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**COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.**

No. S. 446.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate which should be clearly marked "Tender for Quarries" will be received at this Office until Noon on Monday, the 24th day of December, 1923, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong and the New Territories, for one year or, as an alternative, for a period of 3 years from the 1st January, 1924.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the schedule hereunder opposite to each quarry, as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tenders.

Forms of tender can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

**PARTICULARS OF THE QUARRIES.**

Quarry Lot No.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Upset Annual Crown Rent.	Deposit with tender.
Ah Kung Ngam No. 1	2.15	\$ 650.00	\$ 60.00
Ah Kung Ngam No. 2	.93	280.00	50.00
Tao Tee Wan No. 1	1.84	200.00	50.00
Tao Tee Wan No. 2	1.84	200.00	50.00
Sai Tso Wan No. 1	17.00	3,400.00	340.00
Sai Tso Wan No. 2	14.50	2,900.00	300.00
Lye Mun No. 1	1.46	290.00	50.00
Lye Mun No. 2	1.60	360.00	50.00
Lye Mun No. 3	1.90	440.00	50.00
Lye Mun No. 4	.30	700.00	70.00
Lye Mun No. 5	3.52	3,940.00	300.00
Lye Mun No. 6	14.70	2,080.00	200.00
Lye Mun No. 7	10.39	1,380.00	140.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 1	6.92	1,830.00	180.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 2	9.17	2,060.00	200.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 3	11.46	2,290.00	230.00
Cha Kwo Liang No. 4	10.30	2,060.00	200.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 1	6.89	1,380.00	140.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 2	12.94	2,590.00	260.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 3	11.15	2,230.00	220.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 4	6.67	1,130.00	110.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 5	1.87	370.00	50.00
Ngau Tau Kok No. 6	3.58	716.00	70.00

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Quarry Lot No.	Approximate Area in Acres.	Upset Annual Crown Rent.	Deposit with tender.
Shau Tsan Lo No. 1	37.00	\$5,550.00	\$550.00
Shau Tsan Lo No. 2	40.38	6,050.00	600.00
Shau Tsan Lo No. 3	11.10	4,440.00	440.00
Shau Tsan Lo No. 4	7.04	2,820.00	280.00
Shau Tsan Lo No. 5	4.00	1,600.00	160.00



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We in Hongkong are so far removed from the Homeland that the question of unemployment does not come to us with that stabbing sensation of dismay and hopelessness that would be the case if we could see some of the thousands who walk the street, and note the look of despair on the faces of those who in their own brave way, the women, face the situation as best they can. Armistice day appeals, and the news in the Home papers as to the prevalence of distress occasioned by unemployment, relieved in part by Government and charitable doles brings the matter to notice, but there it ends, and can only do so, for there are those who are in charge and whom we expect to find a way out as best they can. They have had plenty of time

It?

Fong Lee, fed up with the depredations of his neighbours' poultry, decided to lay poison. According

Under the light of awaying spray,  
Under the moon or under morning  
Murmur they, as the tide swells.  
—CALE YOUNG RICE.

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All the ships of the world come here,  
Ships from every billow's foam;  
Fruiter and oiler, dragar,  
Liner and lugger and tramp a-roam.  
Some are scented of palm and pine,  
(Some are fain for the Pole's far clime),  
Some are scented of soy and senna,  
Some—ah me! are scented of home.  
All the ships of the world come here,  
Day and night there is sound of bells,  
Seeking the port they calmly stow,  
Clearing the port they ring fairwells.  
Under the sun or under the stars  
(Under the light of awaying spars),  
Under the moon or under morning  
Murmur they, as the tide swells,  
—SAFE YOUNG RICE



## VOTING CONTEST.

## OUR FREE \$50 PRIZE.

## POPULAR NAMES COMPETITION.

Last week we gave the third list of girls' names, entries for which closed on Monday. The coupons have been entered up in our competition chart. The list of ten names voted the most popular by all the competitors has thus been obtained and each coupon has been checked with this list. No entrant sent in a coupon exactly agreeing with the correct solution and the prize is awarded to the competitor who returned the coupon agreeing most nearly with the choice of the total vote. He is

K. Y. WONG,

93, Wellington Street,

second floor.

## CORRECT SOLUTION.

The correct solution, i.e., the order in which the ten names were received, the biggest number of votes, as sent in on all the coupons, is as follows:-

1. DAISY
2. HELEN
3. KATHLEEN
4. ELSIE
5. CONSTANCE
6. EVA
7. GERTRUDE
8. MAUD
9. IVY
10. IDA

## NOW VOTERS VOTED

No outstanding feature was noticed in this competition, the selections of both sexes being much varied. Daisy, which received the most votes—all names being treated as "items" in this announcement for the sake of convenience and avoiding any misinterpretation as to personalities—can be said to have been a warm favourite but it by no means monopolised the top line of the majority of coupons although there were only a small number of entrants who entirely omitted this name from their coupons. On the whole, the placing of the various names, from the point of view of possibilities of one overtaking another, was uninteresting, there being hardly any changes in the order after about one third of the coupons had been registered. One result of this was that a number of voters who sent in more than one coupon and judiciously changed the order of the ten or twelve names chosen, had at least one of their votes which ran very close to that of the winner in point of actual merit.

## THE RUNNING

Daisy was soon ahead and retained the lead throughout. Second and third were engaged in a ding-dong struggle all the way, with Kathleen leading for a short while in the earlier stages. Helen finished up a moderate second but Kathleen was only a few votes further back. Elsie was always fourth and almost beat the second and third but lost to Kathleen by a small margin. Constance, never appeared likely to get higher or lower than fifth, a good distance behind Elsie but far ahead of sixth. Eva was about eighth for some time until strong support brought it up to sixth place where it stayed on till the end, a small number of votes ahead of Gertrude, the latter being seventh all the time. Maud was as high as sixth at the start but lost ground to finish up a poor eighth. Ivy was never lower than ninth and Ida displaced Edna for the tenth place after the halfway stage. Of those unplaced, the only change recorded was that Barbara moved up from seventeenth to fourteenth place just before half the votes were entered. Edna was eleventh, Frances twelfth, Olive thirteenth, Barbara fourteenth, Sarah fifteenth, Louisa sixteenth, Sylvia seventeenth and Diana eighteenth at the close but so close was the running that a few more votes for any one of them would have changed the order. Madeline and Rachel occupied the last two positions.

THIS WEEK'S COMPETITION. Readers are reminded of this week's competition for popular cinema pictures shown recently in Hongkong. This contest will be run on exactly similar lines as the previous ones. The solution will be decided by all the voters themselves and competitors should bear in mind that the essence of the competition is to endeavour to forecast what the total poll will choose and not what the individual likes himself or herself. There is no catch in the contest, as the prize must be won and it is not absolutely necessary that every item should be correct as the \$50 is awarded to the competitor returning the coupon agreeing most nearly with the choice of all entrants. Coupons will be found in this issue and every China Mail up to Saturday. They should reach this office, not later than next Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Apper, Miss Addis, Mr. and Mrs. Buckbrough, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mr. D. E. Donnelly, Mr. J. D. Humphreys, Lady and Miss Leveson, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Marsh, Mr. R. B. Moorehead, Mr. W. L. Pattenden, Mrs. H. S. Rouse, Mrs. A. G. Stephen, and Mr. L. A. Zelenky returned to the Colony by the "Empress of Asia."

## IN BRIEF.

## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

## CABLES.

"Down with the King" has been the cry at Athens.

The days of the Government are numbered says Mr. Asquith.

Captain Amundsen hopes to make his Polar flight in May next.

A new method of awarding points in Cricket matches has been adopted.

The Malayan Tin Co., has a big scheme of development in contemplation.

Mexico's war department announces the success of the Federal forces.

The international status of Tangier has been settled by the signing of a protocol by Britain, France and Spain.

A large well-equipped Afghan Army is at Jalalabad in the neighbourhood of which murderers of British subjects are said to be hiding.

The threatened railway trouble at Home has been averted, by the award of the Railway Wages Board which does not contemplate any serious reduction in wages.

The Prince of Wales has accepted the Presidency of the Fellowship formed in connection with the Empire Exhibition to assist the Empire in certain directions.

Mr. Secretary Hughes indirectly informs Russia that America can't barter its principles. Russia must restore confiscated American property and abandon its propaganda against American institutions.

## GENERAL.

Washington.—Exports from the United States in October amounted to \$402,000,000, compared with imports of \$363,000,000, leaving a trade balance of \$99,000,000.

Philadelphia.—The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, Bishop of Pennsylvania, has received a testimonial fund of \$15,000 by the diocese in recognition of his 12 years' service in the district.

Mobile, Ala.—Liquor valued at \$100,000 was seized and 22 persons were arrested on charges ranging from bribery to possession of liquor, in raids conducted by about 50 dry agents here. Sixty-five warrants still are to be served.

St. Louis.—Recommendations that Peace Day be observed each year, that the organization devote itself to the spread of peace propaganda, and that peace be taught children, were urged before the Council of Jewish Women meeting here.

Washington.—A total of 330 cities are now run by city managers, of which 314 are in the United States, 11 in Canada, four in New Zealand, and one in Tasmania, according to a report read at the City Managers' Association session here.

## OPINIONS.

## SPEEDING-UP.

The other day we were examining a map of the world issued by the British Navy League in 1898—twenty-five years ago. Midst many other interesting statistics printed at the foot of the map we saw the following: "Fastest time for letters to reach Hongkong from London (via Suez) 23 days 16 hours 31 minutes." That was twenty-five years ago. Turbines, Diesel engines, and aeroplanes do not seem to have caused much speeding-up this past quarter century.

## CULTURE.

What percentage of the population in Hongkong or anywhere else ever read a serious book unless it happens to be connected with their trade or profession? How many read history, economics, philosophy or poetry for their own sake? On the other hand how many interest themselves in racing, football, dancing etc.? Yes! evolution always was and always will be a slow process.

## SPORTSMANSHIP.

Writers of anonymous letters may be divided into two classes. (a) Those who have something of general interest to say and who are rather modest about trumpeting their names abroad. (b) Those who descend to personalities and attack people, using the victims' names and hiding their own. The latter writers are rather cowardly as their method is equivalent to hitting below the belt or fencing with a blindfolded antagonist. It is not playing the game; it is not British.

## \$80,000 RANSOM.

## KIDNAPPING SEQUEL.

## CRIMINAL COURT STORY.

How a Canton pawnbroker's son was kidnapped and held for a ransom of \$80,000 was related to the Puiene Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) and a jury at the Criminal Sessions to-day when two men were charged with having conspired to intimidate the young man's father. One of the prisoners, who was defended by Mr. C. G. Alabaster K.C., O.B.E., was also charged with having sent a threatening letter relating to the transaction.

Opening the case for the prosecution, the Crown Solicitor (Mr. H. K. Holmes) explained that the offences related to the kidnapping of a youth named Chan Hin-lung, son of Chan Yun-po, a Canton pawnbroker who was also a partner in a Hongkong firm, the Kwok Fook-sing. The boy disappeared on September 23 and the first news of him arrived in the shape of a letter which was sent to the Canton pawnshop and forwarded on from there to Hongkong. On about October 1 the father received another letter making a certain appointment which apparently miscarried.

Later on another communication was received making an appointment at the Sai Woo restaurant at Yau-mat and a letter also came from the captive himself. Chan Yun-po sent to the Sai Woo two representatives, one of whom carried by arrangement a palm leaf fan. No sooner had they arrived at about noon than the first prisoner came up to the table where they were sitting and asked whether Chan Yun-po had sent them. Some conversation as to the subject matter of the meeting followed after which the first prisoner took them to the hillside near the Chinese theatre at Yau-mat. One of the men went with the first prisoner to a place where another man was standing. During the ensuing conversation \$80,000 was mentioned as the amount of the ransom to be paid for the return of Chan Hin-lung.

The letter mentioned in the indictment against the first prisoner was then produced by the other man and handed over unopened to Chan Yun-po's representative. The jury would have to decide, Mr. Holmes indicated, whether the first prisoner was one of the senders of the letter although he did not actually hand the document over. In consequence of this letter the same representative was sent on October 16, this time accompanied by a district watchman, to an appointed place where they met the two prisoners. The question was raised whether it would not be necessary for the prisoners to send to Canton for approval, if necessary, of the payment of a reduced sum, and the district watchman suggested that a further appointment should be fixed. The first prisoner then wrote in pencil on a small piece of paper making an appointment at another restaurant. The note went on to say "hold two pears in your hand" At this stage the district watchman arrested both men and later on certain documents were discovered in the cubicle where they had been living.

When charged at the police station the second prisoner said he had been invited to assist in the negotiations, it being represented that out of every \$100 of the ransom secured he would receive one half of raw opium. The first prisoner said the letter was given him by a man named Choi King-chee with the request that it be handed over. The case is proceeding.

## NEW BUILDING LAW.

## CHINESE INVESTIGATION.

## LIKELIHOOD OF PETITION.

During the week-end the sub-committee appointed by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce in connection with the House Building Bill, the first reading of which has been postponed in deference to the representations of the two Chinese council members, held a meeting at which a programme has been mapped out. The members are now slated to be gathering information so as to be able to give detailed dimensions of various blocks in different parts of the Colony so that the Government will know where the suggested percentage for open space is, in the opinion of the owners, practicable or otherwise.

It is said that when a detailed report has been handed into the Chamber steps will be taken to draw up a petition pointing out the alleged hardships that will be entailed by the passing of the Bill.

President Coolidge has signed an executive order authorizing Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian, to sell part of the stock of the "Banyan Wasted Mills" (Passaic, N.J.) seized by the Government from German owners during the war.

## EUROPEAN MISSING.

Wilfred Arlington Pirie Wilkinson, believed to be an Australian, is mentioned in this morning's Police Report as missing from the Hongkong Hotel since Friday night last. He is described as of about 35 years of age, clean-shaven, fair hair, of very smart appearance and is supposed to have worn a dress suit on Friday night when he was last seen in the hotel. Inquiries at the hotel revealed nothing further than the fact that he has been a resident at the hotel since October.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A reminder is given of the ball in connection with the M.C.L. which is to take place to-morrow evening.

Mrs. Harry Woods and Miss Doris Woods left Sumatra yesterday by the "Kashgar" and hope to reach Hongkong on Christmas day.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

## M.C.L.

## FANCY DRESS BALL.

## CITY HALL.

THURSDAY, 20th December

at 9.30 p.m.

Tickets \$4 each from

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## DOLLAR DIRECTORY.

1924 issue

To avoid delay in publication, old and new firms are requested to send particulars at once for insertion in the 1924 issue of the Dollar Directory.

TO THE

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## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## HONGKONG WOMEN'S GUILD AND MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

## QUARRY BAY BRANCH.

TICKET NUMBER 54 won the First Prize in the Doll Raffle. Will Mrs. STEPHENS apply for Prize to Mrs. K. E. GREIG.

C/o TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1923.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the Sale, by Public Auction, to be held on MONDAY, the 24th day of December, 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of the Lot of CROWN LAND at Bowen Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 70 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 70 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lots.	Boundary Measurements.	Area in Acres, Roods, and Poles.	Annual Rent.	Open Road.
1.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
2.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
3.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
4.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
5.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
6.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
7.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
8.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
9.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		
10.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.		

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY, December 22, 1923, commencing at 3.00 P.M. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street, A Choice Lot of Liqueurs etc.,

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1 Pt. D.O.M.		
1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy		
2 Qts. King George IV. or Perfection Whisky		
1 Qt. Superb Tawny Port		
2 Qts. St. Julien Claret		
1 Qt. Old Brown Sherry Red Seal		
1 D.O.M. Old Tawny or Dry Gin		
1 Visk. de France Sherry		
1 Qt. Pomeroy's Australian Burgundy		
1 Qt. Pomeroy's Brandy		
No. 2 HAMPER.		
1 Qt. Gallenart Champagne		
1 Pt. D.O.M.		
1 Pt. Burgundy's Burgundy		
1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy		
2 Qts. King George IV. or Perfection Whisky		
1 Qt. Tawny Port		
1 Qt. D.O.M. Old Tawny or Dry Gin		
1 Visk. de France Sherry		
1 Qt. Pomeroy's Brandy		
No. 3 HAMPER.		
1 Qt. Burgundy's Burgundy		
1 Pt. F. F. Pomeroy		
1 Qt. Superb Black Old Port		
1 Qt. King George IV. or Perfection Whisky		
1 Qt. Burgundy's XXX Brandy		
1 Qt. Amontillado Sherry White Seal		
2 Qts. Medoc Claret		
1 Qt. D.O.M. Old Tawny or Dry Gin		
1 Qt. Pomeroy's Brandy		
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"AHIVA"	8,007	18th Jan.	MARSEILLE, London & Antwerp
"SIOILIA"	8,012	18th Jan.	S'pore, Penang, Cal'bo & Bombay
"MAEDONIA"	11,498	25th Jan.	B'by, M'les, London & Antwerp
"KARHAR"	8,840	9th Feb.	MARSEILLE, London & Antwerp
"BOUDAN"	8,898	13th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Cal'bo & Bombay
"MORFA"	10,811	23rd Feb.	B'by, M'les, London & Antwerp
"KARMAIA"	9,208	8th Mar.	MARSEILLE, London & Antwerp
"YALDRIA"	15,083	22nd Mar.	B'by, M'les, London & Antwerp
"SIOILIA"	8,813	28th Mar.	S'pore, Penang, Cal'bo & Bombay
"KRYBER"	9,014	5th Apr.	MARSEILLE, London & Antwerp
"OHINA"	7,832	18th Apr.	S'pore, Penang, Cal'bo & Bombay
"BOUDAN"	8,898	28th Apr.	MARSEILLE, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,118	3rd May	MARSEILLE, London & Antwerp
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<b>BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)</b>			
"TAKADA"	6,941	27th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"SIOILIA"	8,205	29th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

<b>EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)</b>			
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th Jan.	Manila, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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"SIOILIA"	8,813	5th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MORFA"	10,811	12th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMAIA"	9,208	18th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"BOUDAN"	8,898	1st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"NADLER"	15,353	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KRYBER"	9,014	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"OHINA"	7,832	8th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SIOILIA"	8,813	13th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,118	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,800	4th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"BOUDAN"	8,898	9th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.

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## PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY. A SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

Old time memories were revived for us last night and the sight of the choir reminded us of all sorts of things—societies and the things they sing—Elijah, The Golden Legend, the Messiah, Hiawatha—and those other things dear to the hearts of a big choral society in a big town. Our Philharmonic Society did not venture on these larger and more ambitious excursions, but wisely confined itself to compositions reasonably within its compass and its powers. This is not to suggest that there was anything in last night's programme that was not worth singing, or might have been improved upon. On the contrary, Edward Elgar's "The Banner of St. George" is an extended piece in Elgar's best vein. It Elgar has written one of the finest vocal concertos in the language of music he is also responsible for some of our best part songs and choruses, and "The Banner" is one of them. The music so obviously fits the words and this must also be said of the other items in a diversified yet restrained programme—and in that respect it is a straightforward composition. It is robust and faithfully develops the legendary story of Selyon's terror, the fiery dragon, the Princess, and St. George. Mrs. Collett sang very sweetly the lines recorded her, whilst the members of the chorus came to the attack with great precision, confidence, phrasing, and attention to detail which was beyond praise. The conducting, as throughout the evening, was very fine indeed, whilst a measure of praise must not be withheld from the members of the orchestra who added tremendously to the undoubted success of a very enjoyable evening. Popular approval went to item No. 4—a cycle of traditional songs for solo and chorus. These were so delightfully English—or to be on the safe side—British. We have heard "The Banks of Athlone Water," "Early one Morning," and "The Ash Grove" on many an occasion, but, truthfully, not so pleasantly done as they were last night. Mrs. G. A. Clements and Mrs. Matheson earned our grateful thanks for sheer artistry in singing and we would dearly have liked a repeat. Mr. G. H. Pierey, suffering slightly from a cold if we mistake not, sang "The Pouchet" assuring us in fine style of "my delight on a shiny night," and the famous "John Peel" whom we "ken" so well. Mr. H. G. Annis also sang well the sweetly simple "Drink to me only." Yes! item number 4 was tres bon. Whether Hongkong knew it or not, and if it did, whether it appreciated it in its full significance, but a programme with two items in it by Gustav Holst of "The Perfect Fool" fame, is one not to be lightly ignored. Unfortunately we missed hearing item No. 5, but Holst's setting of the 124th psalm struck us as dignified, sonorous and impressive. It was "grandly" sung. This also applies to the opening item "The Incheape Rock," Frederick Bridge's setting of Southey's story of the good Abbot of Aberbrothok and the wicked Rover. "The Song of Evening" is marked on our programme as "V.B."—very beautiful. The softness and lyric qualities of Rutland Boughton's music to John Drinkwater's impressive lines appealed very much and was a delightful contrast to the rest of the programme. To those who have spent so much time in rehearsing and bringing their efforts to such successful fruition, a very appreciative word of thanks. If we do not

mention them all by name it is because space is precious and we might inadvertently leave out a name! Having said this so nicely we hope, the Chorus will agree that Mr. T. P. M. Bevan deserves our thanks, the gallant members of the perfect little orchestra so ably led, we imagine, by Mrs. Aubrey, and one other whose name cannot possibly be left out. Mrs. J. S. Thomson whose vigil at the pianoforte was in keeping with the singing and helped not a little to make the concert so successful and enjoyable. One other name and then we finish. Mr. S. Collett would be overjoyed at the magnificent attendance last night—the whole of the Colony seemed to be there—a tribute we hope to the Phil and to organisation. This encouraging success should spur our Society to greater efforts. It is a great thing to have it and we look forward to the future with hope.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL. MORE PRIZE WINNERS.

The following is a list of the prize winners in the lotteries at last Sunday's Bazaar:—  
(Winners should take delivery of their prizes from Mr. J. M. Alves' office, 1A, Chater Road, before noon on Saturday, 22nd December.)

**KIDS RAFFLES.**  
1st Prize—Ticket No. 0277.  
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5th Prize—Ticket No. 0070.  
6th Prize—Ticket No. 0029.  
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9th Prize—Ticket No. 0766.  
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Second Prize, (No. 7) Mr. Ho Cheuk.  
Third Prize, (No. 34) Mr. A. F. Silva-Netto.

**AMERICAN LOTTERY.**  
1st Drawing—1, Mrs. Danenberg; 2, Dondon; 3, Daniel Rozario; 4, J. J. Remedios; 5, Dalin Remedios; 6, Pedro T. Pun.  
2nd Drawing—1, Mrs. F. Y. Botelho; 2, M. S. Botelho; 3, E. A. da Silva; 4, K. Wong; 5, Sauey Souza; 6, E. A. Novonha.  
3rd Drawing—1, Dr. Aloysius Moy; 2, Ah Hip; 3, Mr. A. Ramos; 4, Smith; 5, Alice Ho; 6, P. W. Galliano.

4th Drawing—1, F. Anslow; 2, Miss A. B. Lee; 3, Sunny Castro; 4, E. Danenberg; 5, Antonio Rocha; 6, P. Silva.  
5th Drawing—1, Chinese Buyer; 2, Alldarke; 3, Mrs. Hicka; 4, Mini Alves; 5, L. K. L. Sang; 6, Mrs. Isaac.

6th Drawing—1, I. M. Costa; 2, A. Gutierrez; 3, E. M. Saqueira; 4, C. Gutierrez; 5, E. M. R. da Souza; 6, Joe Noronha.  
7th Drawing—1, Azemia Osmund; 2, Alda Silva; 3, E. Anslow; 4, L. G. Ribeiro; 5, L. K. Sang; 6, Phillis Cassart.

8th Drawing—1, C. T. Chau; 2, Hilda Silva; 3, Paulina Vieira; 4, Alex Azevedo; 5, Wm. Young; 6, Toto Ozario.  
9th Drawing—1, Gustavo Osmund; 2, Choy Gutierrez; 3, A. Alves; 4, J. Barzadas; 5, G. A. Pinna; 6, Aurora Rangedios.

10th Drawing—1, P. J. Tavares; 2, Padre Gonzalez; 3, C. Gutierrez; 4, Mrs. Sou; 5, Antonio and Antonio; 6, Alvaro Aires.  
11th Drawing—1, Nora Burden; 2, V. F. Soares; 3, Tai Hin-gow; 4, Francis da Rocha; 5, Gloria Azevedo; 6, S. A. Rungjhu.  
12th Drawing—1, V. Yvanovich; 2, J. Fonseca; 3, J. C. Barretto; 4, Molly; 5, E. J. Figueiredo; 6, Hui Choa.

13th Drawing—1, E. A. Ribeiro; 2, K. Dixon; 3, J. E. Ward; 4, Mr. Barnes; 5, G. M. Shaw; 6, L. G. Hoospool.  
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18th Drawing—1, J. J. Basto; 2, Mrs. Wang (University); 3, E. L. Matteson; 4, H. S. Curtis; 5, B. M. Billinoria; 6, Mrs. Hollidge.

19th Drawing—1, Lam Kam-hing; 2, P. Larger; 3, Sun Poon-hock; 4, A. E. Salter; 5, M. Montargia; 6, Mrs. Alderman.  
20th Drawing—1, Bro. Michael (Maryknoll); 2, M. Silva; 3, Miss Well; 4, Mrs. E. M. Raymond; 5, V. C. Rocha; 6, Baker (Chimp Sugar).  
21st Drawing—1, W. Hall; 2, K. H. Lee; 3, W. Hall; 4, P. B. Curtis; 5, M. R. Deltrao; 6, J. Hunt.

22nd Drawing—1, L. Minter; 2, Tau Wai-kin; 3, J. Brilo (Chino Sugar); 4, F. K. Modi; 5, Geo. White; 6, Geo. White.  
23rd Drawing—1, W. Hall; 2, Elia Danenberg; 3, Cita Xavier; 4, Ho Cheuk; 5, C. J. Askew; 6, Rehimol.  
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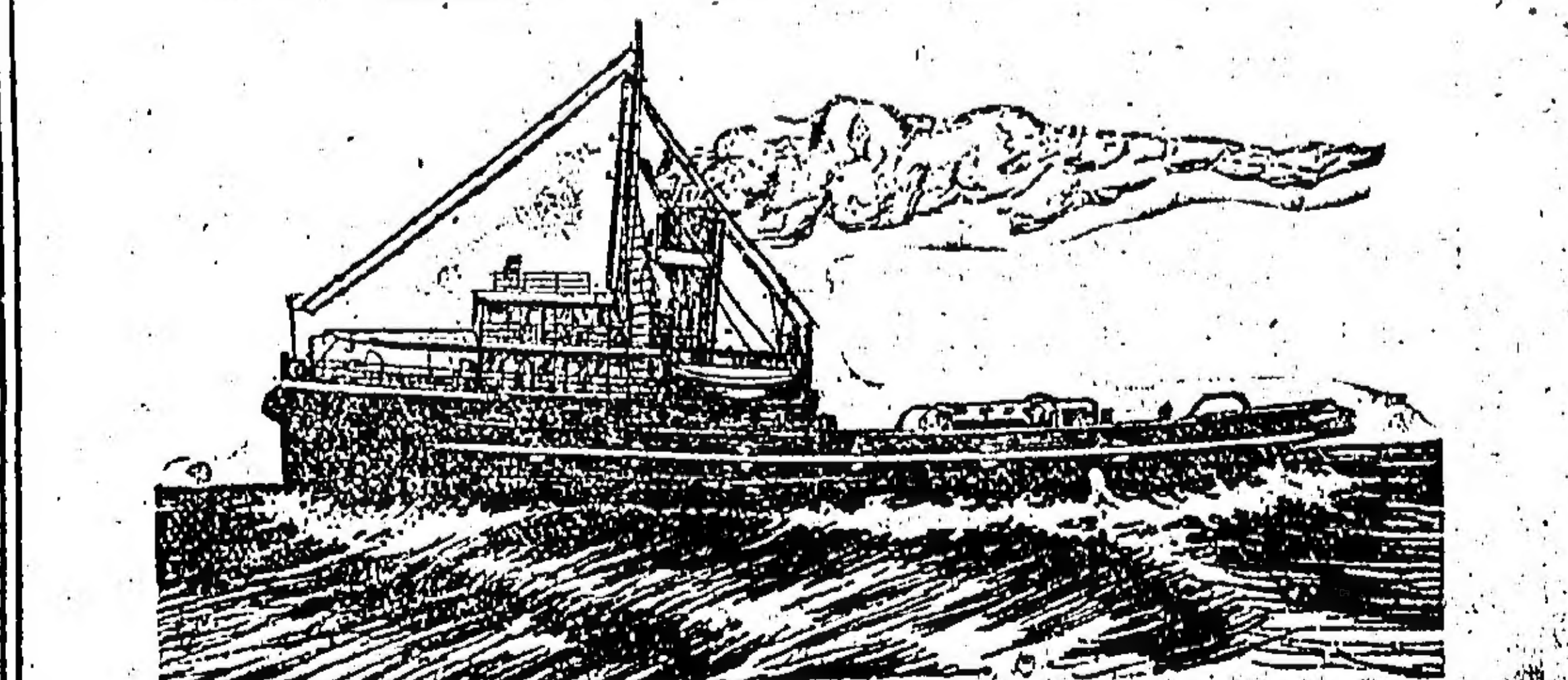
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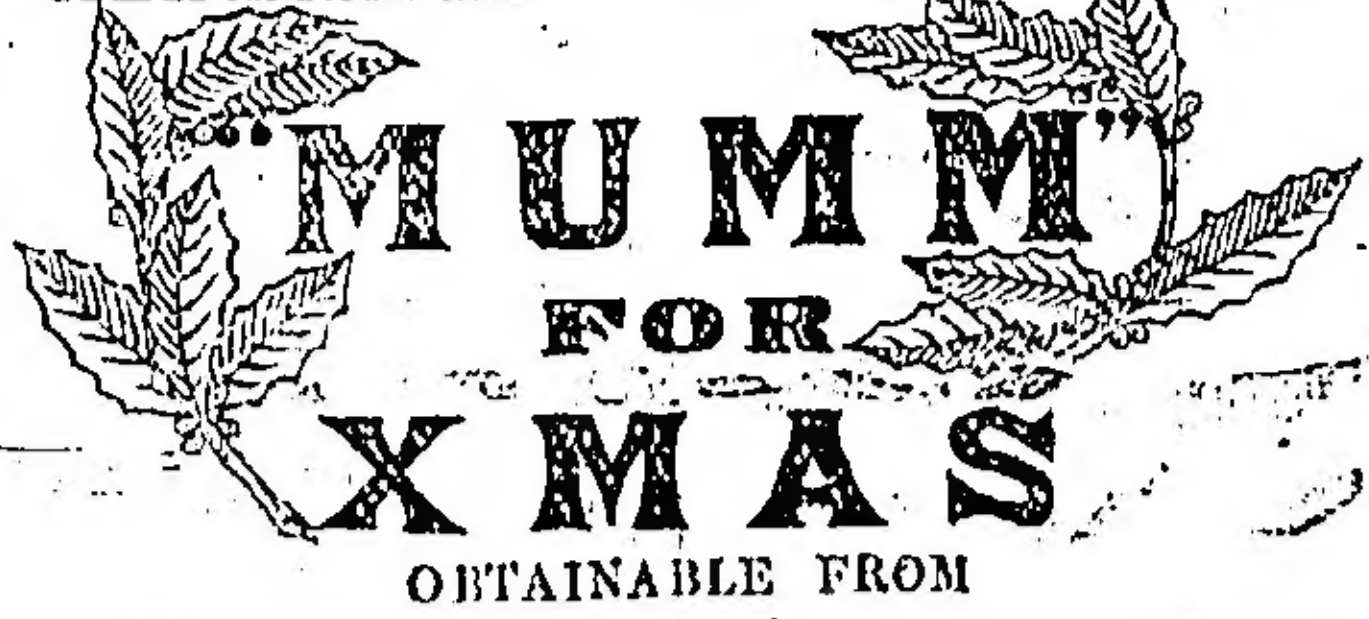
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Yesterday afternoon, Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, accompanied by his staff and some of the ship's company of H.M.S. "Hawkins," flagship, attended the weekly meeting of the court of Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. A presentation was made to the Admiral by the Bank, of a silver cup in the form of a Chinese incense burner, in recognition of the inestimable services rendered by the Navy to the Bank in Yokohama, after the earthquake.

Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Chairman, in making the presentation, said: "Your Excellency—it is a great pleasure to have you with us this afternoon and in view of the special circumstances which prompted the invitation we feel greatly honoured by your presence."

We have asked you to come here to-day, Sir, in order that we might express our profound thanks for the gallant and invaluable services rendered by your Excellency, the Captain, officers and ship's company of H.M. flag-ship "Hawkins" to the Bank at Yokohama, and the staff attached thereto, during the dark days following immediately upon the terrible earthquake which wrought such devastation in Japan early in September, Mr. Wright, the manager at Yokohama, has written in eulogistic terms of the assistance received from the Navy, without which it would have been impossible to reorganise the affairs of the Bank in Japan so expeditiously as has proved to be the case. The help rendered is further proof that the traditions of the Sanitor Service are being worthily maintained and is evidence of the interest taken by the Navy in the commerce of the Empire. We appreciate, Sir, all you have done since your arrival on the station in an endeavour to protect and advance British trade in these parts, and we sincerely trust these efforts will meet with success.

I now ask your Excellency to accept on behalf of H.M. flag-ship

this replica in silver of an ancient Chinese incense burner as a memento from the Bank of the assistance rendered by the "Hawkins" during these terrible days in Yokohama to which I have referred.

Replying, the Admiral said.—In accepting on behalf of the flag-ship of this extraordinarily handsome present I can only say that the Navy is always ready to do their duty and in this instance, in the face of such an appalling disaster, every one of the nations that could, rushed to help, and that, the help such as it was, was so appreciated by the court of directors of the Bank, is a source of very great pleasure to us.

I may say that our work at Yokohama was most unpleasant in the midst of such death and destruction, but the least unpleasant, in fact I might almost call it a holiday to the torpedo department, was blowing in by gun cotton, the door, of the Bank safe. I must congratulate the Bank on the strength and efficiency of their strong-room. It resisted all our efforts till we resorted to gun cotton and then I am glad to note, as you all know, we found the inside unhurt. The Bank leads the mercantile world, and I am sure this is an instance in which they proved it by having the best safe. In all other cases damage by fire or actually baking the inside was the result.

I turn to this very handsome gift. We appreciate the very kind thought of giving it and we appreciate the fact that it is the handsomest and most unique trophy that has ever been given to any of H.M. ships.

Again, Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the flag-ship, I thank the whole court of directors for their most handsome present.

The following is the inscription on the memento.—

"Presented by the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation to His Majesty's Flagship "Hawkins" in remembrance of services rendered to the Bank in Yokohama September 1923 by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the Captain, Officers and Ship's Company."

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## SHOOTING.

HONGKONG RIFLE LEAGUE.

The following rifle clubs have entered for the Bellios Shield competition.—H.M.S. Hawkins, H.M.S. Tamar, H.M.S. Despatch, H.M.S. Titania, H. M. Dockyard, Hongkong Police, 94th Co. R. G. A. Royal Engineers, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Matches are arranged by the secretaries of clubs. The committee would be glad if they would arrange to meet H. M. Ships as early as possible owing to their short time in port, triangular matches, if at all possible, to be arranged.

H.M.S. Despatch are doing excellently, they having defeated the holders, H. M. Dockyard, and H.M.S. Titania.

## FOOTBALL.

MATCHES FOR TO-DAY.

HONGKONG LEAGUE DIVISION I.

Diomedes v. R.G.A. Navy "A" ground at 4 p.m. Referee, Mr. Bailey.

Despatch v. Ambrose, Navy "B" ground at 4 p.m.

South China v. Police, South China ground at 4.15 p.m., Referee, Mr. Spencer.

## CRICKET.

GARRISON R.C. TRIAL  
MATCH.

At 11 this morning, two military teams commenced a trial match at Happy Valley. They comprised—Major F. Hattersley-Smith, Lt. Hall, Lieut. Fendall, Mr. Gough, and B.S.M. Page, R.G.A. Captain, Walker, Sgt. Percy, and Pte. Nash, R.A.M.C. Captain Haigh, R.A.O.C. Q.M.S. Dennis Q.M.S. Fritz, R.A.F.C.

Captain Kent, Captain Rowe, Lieut. Allfree, Lieut. Armstrong, Q.M.S. Stripp, L/Cpl. Clarke and Pte. Eaton, 1st East Surreys. Lieut.-Colonel Butterworth, Major Gandy, Sgt. Cockell, and Q.M.S. Jacobs, R.E.

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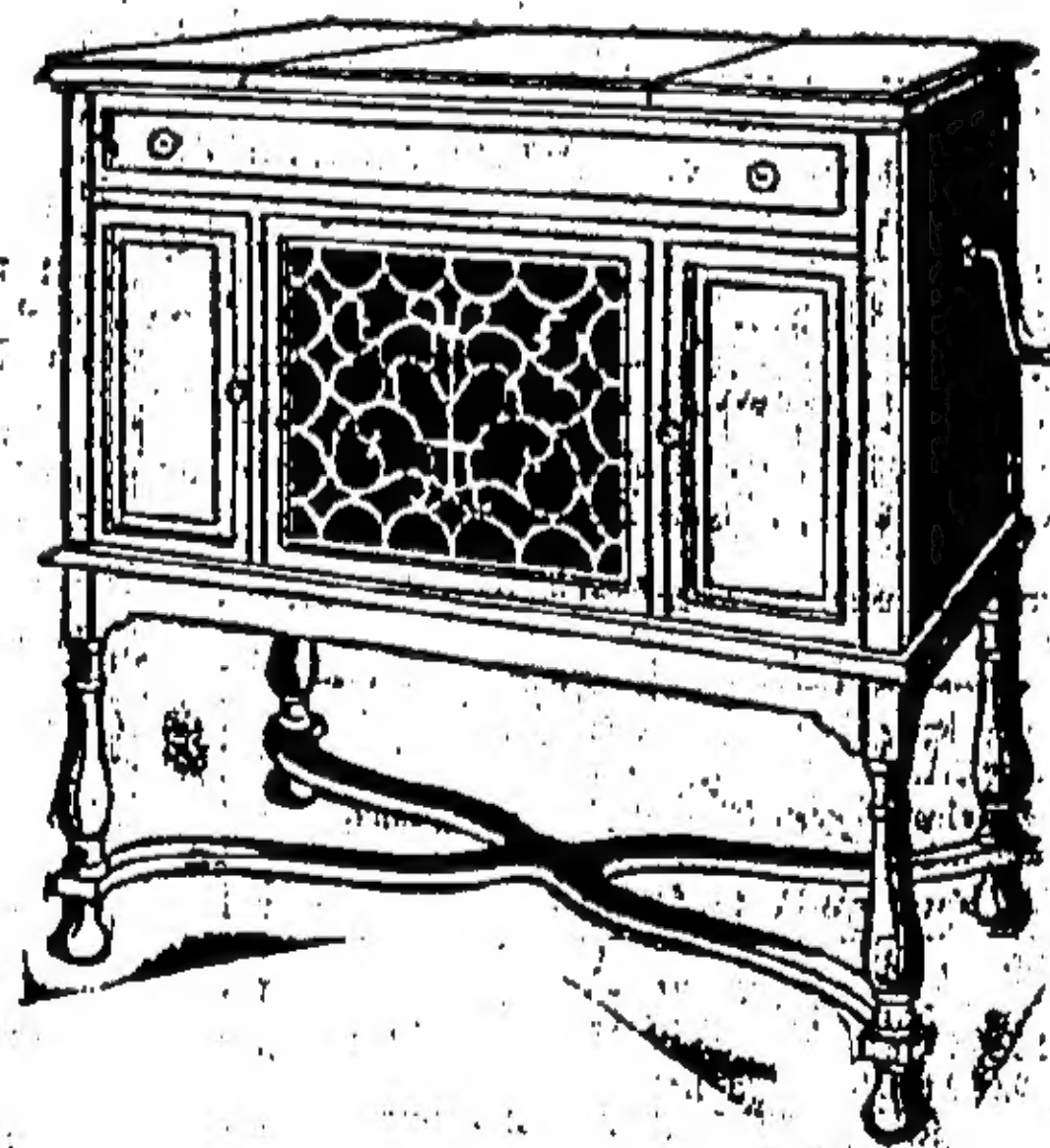
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## CHARIVARIA.

SATURDAY TO MONDAY  
FEELING.

Did Baldwin? Asquith.

To some it will be a merry Christmas.

Every woman this week is a shopping scoundrel.

It is reported that a snake climbed into a Ford car and curled up on the back seat. Its choice of car seems to indicate that it was a rattlesnake.

The weather is said to be very sneezable.

Rents are a real high score.

Dressmakers are very busy these days, we are told. Just saw!

The trouble with many Hongkong men is that they suffer from Chin feet.

Some people we notice have an over-weening attitude to their social inferiors.

If we judge the fashions aught, it appears to us impossible for any woman to laugh up her sleeve.

Gas will decide future wars, says an army expert. It has already decided the last General Election.

One result of the proposed strike of Doctors will be that many people will die a natural death.

Carpenter the boxer says that the glove can be made the universal leveller. A little punch of course helps.

We understand that when in America Mr. Lloyd George suggested that Jews and Christians should hold a religious service together. A difference of opinion as to who should take the collection brought the idea to naught.

Rear Admiral Drury-Lowe, speaking in London, stated that "The security of this country and of the world would be best brought about, not by increased armaments, but by increased understanding." Not we trust by swelled head.

The Bible is said to have been translated by a Chicago man into language that Chicagoans can understand, and we suppose every chapter begins with "Say, listen!" says an American paper. But is this Gospel?

Thousands of emigrants are said to be leaving Wales. There has always been a leak there.

The absence of many American tourists is probably due to our dry season.

"Big decline in Drinking" says a headline. We always knew drinking had a downward tendency.

Although tennis players are generally mild-mannered people, they raise a racket on every conceivable occasion.

Was Shakespeare a Florist? we are asked. Possibly—to save his Bacon.

Someone has said that R.U.R. is a revolt-ing play.

Mussolini who proposed that eight cotton spinners who had worked for one man for fifty years be knighted, said that these men were worthy of the honour that men whose only claim to distinction was that they succeeded in amassing wealth for themselves. Just so. Whilst the first were cotton spinning, the others were wool gathering.

Even the most efficient business man can't get on sometimes when he uses the telephone.

A man may be a credit to his tailor and at the same time be a debit.

In one week three clerical wills were proved at £37,524, £20,981, and £17,037. What humourist was it that said "religion is without money and without price."

Definitions:—  
Opinion:—That which is mere prejudice in others.  
Prejudice:—That which is an opinion in ourselves.

## Tickling Throat

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## FREEMASONRY.

## HOME NOTES.

LONDON, October 26. When Sir Alfred Robbins, president of the board of general purposes, first decided to visit the United States, with Lady Robbins, it was with the object of sight-seeing and for rest and recreation after a strenuous journalistic life, with attendance at perhaps two or three American lodges, just to see American Masonry at work at home. But, under pressure from various directions, that idea has been broadened into what may be considered an official or, at least, an authorized, visit to certain United States grand lodges, and a heavy programme already has been arranged for him. He has, therefore, decided to refuse all invitations to Canada, as he feels he is bound to limit his efforts to such portions of the United States as he can cover within the time allowed for his stay. Various arrangements for his presence at grand lodges, not only in the eastern states, but the middle west, are being completed.

The chapter house of Liverpool Cathedral is now completed. It is the gift of the Freemasons of the Province of West Lancashire and forms a memorial of the first and second earls of Lathom, who successively held the office of Provincial Grand Master of West Lancashire, and contains windows to their memory. A second memorial window is in memory of the members of the Province, who fell in the Great War. Dr. David, Past Grand Chaplain, the third bishop of Liverpool, who has just entered that office, will take the lead in the great task of the completion of the second half of the cathedral.

Sir Robert King Stewart, opening a bazaar at Larkhall in aid of a Masonic temple for Lodge Clydesdale, said that many years ago the Grand Lodge of Scotland finding that most of the meetings of the daughter lodges were held in small and unsuitable buildings, strongly recommended that each lodge should have a hall or a temple of its own. That was a tall order considering that there were 1314 lodges in Scotland, and in Masonic circles it was regarded as a difficult, if not an impossible, undertaking. However, they all put their shoulder to the wheel as true Masons and in a few years throughout Scotland Masonic temples began to arise.

As an instance of the good will existing in Masonic circles in Ireland, the Earl of Kilmorey has presented to the Kilkeel Lodge a massive oak tablet, made from old seasoned oak grown in Mourne Park, containing the names of the masters of the lodge since 1815. The tablet was designed by Lord Kilmorey, made by his estate carpenter, and decorated by a member of the lodge.

The origin of the term "free" in connection with "Mason" is again under discussion. One American contributor to the correspondence says that the Egyptians of old looked upon the sun as one of their chief gods, and adored it under the name of Phre, meaning "God of light." "Ma" signifies "to love" and "Son" denotes "brother." Thus the three together signify Phre-ma-son or Freemason, meaning "Loving brother of light." Dr. W. Stuart Macgown, however, suggests that the word "Free" before it had acquired its present connotation of "speculative" simply meant "free" to work without hindrance under the control of the master and wardens of the then "operative" lodges and "free" also from all local dues, tolls, and imposts which were a common feature in the Middle Ages of what we now call "local governments." Ancient brethren were skilled artisans, working for the most part, under ecclesiastical control, and, as such, like their employers, they were largely exempted from both general and local taxation.

The centenary of the Soerates Lodge at Huntington, which has just been celebrated, is of more than local or even insular interest. It is the only lodge in England bearing the name of the ancient Greek philosopher, and it was consecrated 100 years ago by that well-known Freemason—renowned equally in the United States as in England—Peter Gilkes.

—D. W.

The following forthcoming marriages are announced: Mr. Douglas Reid, a sub-accountant of the Chartered Bank, to Miss Catherine Jean Lowson, en route from Scotland per the "Fushimi Maru." Mr. Charles Henri Jacques Mezieres, cashier of the Kowloon Hotel, to Miss Marie Louise Mouson, en route from France by the s.s. "Kashgar." Mr. J.M. d'Almeida Remedios, articles clerk, of 5 Liberty Avenue, Kowloon, to Miss Rita Maria Basso, "Green Croft," Homantin. Mr. James Henry Andrews, a missionary of the Pentecostal Missionary Station, Yunnanfu, to Miss Jessie Biggs, also a missionary of the same Station.

## V.R.C. REPORT.

INTERPORT CONTROVERSY  
DEPRECATED.

The following is taken from the annual report of the Victoria Recreation Club:

The Club House is in a good condition, all necessary repairs in the building having been attended to. The Library, although small, has been well patronised during the year under review. A special allotment of \$200 was obtained from the Club funds for the purchase of latest publications, and the Sub-Committee were therefore able to purchase fifty-four new books at a cost of \$155.25, leaving a balance of \$44.75 to be carried forward. In addition to those bought, quite a number of books in first-class condition were presented, so that the Library is fast becoming an asset to the Club. The thanks of the Club are due to the following gentlemen who made gifts of books and magazines:—G. Willey, F. Schneppel and Capt. Newby.

Boat-house.—During the year four new boats were built locally and in addition we received a new pair, a four, and a double scull from Rough and Sons, England. With these additional boats the boat-house is now better equipped than it has been for some time and ranks second to none. The interest taken in rowing during the year 1922 was very pleasing to the Boat-House Sub-Committee, who are now able to report that the past season has been a very successful one.

Bath-house.—The Sub-Committee are pleased to report a highly successful season. Night fêtes were held and the sport provided was of a high standard and the audience were large and appreciative. A team was sent to Shanghai consisting of Messrs. G. Sewell (Captain), A. Busschaert, J. Johnstone, D. Laing, J. Lyon, M. Souza, G. Jack, J. Stewart, G. Hall, E. A. Noronha. They acquitted themselves very creditably, being defeated by a very small margin, although most of the straight swimming events were captured by our men. The Sub-Committee deprecate the unfortunate controversy which took place on the team from Shanghai and it is hoped that this will in no way interfere with future Interport contests.

Gymnasium.—The Committee are again glad to be able to report that keen interest was taken in gymnastics during the period under review. A Physical Culture Class was conducted by Mr. J. Evans and some excellent results were achieved by him. Regular work in the gymnasium is essential if members are to attain the physical fitness necessary for successful participation in general athletics. It is to be hoped that more members will take advantage of the expert instructions provided by Mr. Evans, whose services are much appreciated by the Committee.

Obituary.—The Committee announce with deep regret the death of the following members since the last annual meeting, viz.—Messrs. R. E. Bellios, R. A. Gubbay, H. M. Silva, A. Neill, T. O. Wilken and A. Ducommun.

Finances.—The Profit and Loss Account for the past year shows a credit balance of \$273.23.

## COMMERCIAL NOTES.

NAM PAK HONG  
QUOTATIONS.

This morning's Nam Pak Hong quotations, for spot goods, based on usual gold terms, were as follows:—

Java Sugar—per picul net weight—No. 24 rough white \$16.35, No. 24 fine white 16.40, No. 18 rough brown 15.65.  
Rice—per picul gross weight for net—No. 1 Siam long white (superior) old and new crop \$34.00 (ordinary) \$31.50.  
Flour—per sack of 50 lbs.—Dayton \$2.33, Kwan Tai 2.78, Nutmeg Orange 2.84, Kingfisher 2.89, Sperry's XXX 3.08, C. & C. 2.84, Reinder 2.81, Melon 2.80.

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## COLONY'S HEALTH.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT'S  
FUNCTION.

Two questions on malaria and dengue were put by Dr. W. V. M. Koch at yesterday's Sanitary Board meeting. Dr. W. W. Pearce (M. O. H.), replying, said that as a result of visits by Sanitary Inspectors 57 nuisances had been discovered this year, 54 of which were caused by the breeding of mosquitoes. Seven prosecutions were taken and fines were inflicted by the Magistrate.

The Chairman, Mr. G. R. Sayer, pointed out that the Department was organized to deal with infectious and notifiable diseases and was originally a plague department, pure and simple; even at present four-fifths of the inspectors were used in fighting plague, which disease had caused 600 deaths in the last two and a half months. Plague had been responsible for over a thousand deaths last year.

A regards malaria, a joint survey by the M.O.H. and the Drainage Authority would be undertaken. Mosquitoes had been attacked by "training and draining," but it could never be expected that the domestic mosquito would be totally eliminated.

Dr. Koch mentioned that buildings were being put up in the

Colony, and coolies were living in the partially-built houses. In his opinion the Sanitary Department had a wider function than that of attacking infectious diseases generally. In his opinion it had the general health of the Colony under its control, which made it even more important than the Medical Department. "We all know," continued Dr. Koch, "that in these modern days the main thing is the prevention of disease, which is much more important than the curing of disease." He thought that the Board should have such sanitation as he had referred to well under its control.

Those present at the meeting were Mr. G. R. Sayer (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Greasy (Director of Public Works), Dr. W. W. Pearce (the Medical Officer of Health), Dr. Ozorio, Dr. Koch, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Mr. Wong Kwong-shin, Mr. S. W. Tso and the Secretary to the Board (Mr. J. A. Fraser).

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND  
OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the China Mail, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of 1922) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

## VOTING CONTEST.

## OUR \$50 PRIZE.

## ANOTHER CINEMA PICTURE POLL.

## FILMS SHOWN RECENTLY.

This week, we are holding another voting contest for popular cinema pictures recently exhibited at the Coronet Theatre. Next week we will run a similar competition for films shown at the World. We will give a prize \$50 to the competitor who sends in the coupon agreeing most nearly with the order in which the first ten pictures are placed. It is not imperative that the coupon must be exactly correct to win. Somebody must win the \$50! Why not you?

Twenty names of cinema pictures are given below. Select the ten you consider the most popular and write them out in the order of your choice. Then cut the form out and send it to the "China Mail" office marked "Vote."

The list which comes nearest the correct solution will win the prize. The correct solution will be decided by the general vote, the item polling the most votes being placed first, the one coming next being placed second and so on until the list of ten is completed.

Therefore the secret of the contest is not to select the ten most popular items in alphabetical order from our list. But to select the ten most popular items from our list and judge what place each individually will occupy—which will come first, which second, and so on until all ten have been placed.

The contest lasts from Monday to Saturday. The result will be announced in the "China Mail" on the succeeding Wednesday, when the winner's name will be published along with the correct list.

Every copy of the "China Mail" contains one form giving the reader one try for the prize. Regular readers thus have not less than six tries in one week. Competitors may send in as many forms as they like.

Forms should be sent in to reach the "China Mail" by Monday. Any forms received by the "China Mail" later than Monday will be discarded.

When making your choice use only the words given below. Any forms wrongly marked, mutilated, or indistinctly written will be ruled out.

The decision of the Editor upon any points which may arise shall be final.

Members of the "China Mail" staff are debarred from entering the contest.

## MAKE YOUR CHOICE HERE

Below we give the names of twenty films recently exhibited. Select the ten you think the most popular.

- 1... A Tailor Made Man
- 2... All The Brothers Were Valiant
- 3... Captain Fly-By-Night
- 4... ... Digraoli
- 5... ... Garrison's Finish
- 6... ... Hearts Aflame
- 7... ... Hearts Are Trumps
- 8... ... Human Hearts
- 9... ... Orphans of the Storm
- 10... ... Rich Men's Wives
- 11... ... Salome
- 12... ... The Eternal Flame
- 13... ... The Kentucky Derby
- 14... ... The Love Flower
- 15... ... The Prisoner of Zenda
- 16... ... The Three Must-Get-Theres
- 17... ... Through the Back Door
- 18... ... Tofable David
- 19... ... Trouble
- 20... ... Way Down East

## CUT THIS OUT

To the Editor  
China Mail, December 19, 1923.  
Hongkong.

Sir,  
I consider the following the ten most popular films from the above list, placed in the order in which I think they are liked best:—

Please write clearly in block letters.

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....
- 5.....
- 6.....
- 7.....
- 8.....
- 9.....
- 10.....

Name.....  
Address.....  
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Secretary of State Charles Evans Hughes purchased the first button in Washington at the annual Red Cross drive from little Miss Beverly Moffatt, daughter of Admiral Moffatt, Chief of the Naval Air Service.



Adolfo de la Huerta, long a factor in Mexican politics and former Minister of Finance in the Mexican Government, is a candidate for the Presidency in opposition to President Obregon.



United States Senator Albert B. Cummings, of Iowa, has informed Senate leaders that he prefers to remain Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission instead of being elected President of the Senate to succeed Mr. Coolidge.



Adolph Hitler, the Bavarian leader, recently visited Salzburg, where he reviewed the Austrian troops, said to be members of the Austrian Fascists, favourable to the return of a monarchy. The emblem of the Hitlerites—the Swastika—was prominently displayed during the ceremonies.



Shortly after the San Diego police instituted a search for George F. Schick, immensely wealthy realty and investment broker, who was reported missing from his home, his wife, Mrs. Sarah M. Schick, presented what purported to be his power of attorney to take over his business. A police investigation led to her arrest, together with that of Everett Drew Clark, ostensibly on the charge of improper conduct before the Schick children, but in reality to hold them until it could be discovered whether Schick had been murdered. Clark, it is said, was living with Mrs. Schick, and his wife, Mrs. May Drew Clark, organist in a San Diego church, was aware of their relations and had frequently visited them. The police are digging in the vicinity of the Schick home for Schick's body.



"Mother" Davidson, of New York, was "Guardian" of the Army and Navy veterans who attended the American Legion Convention in San Francisco.



This is a new and exclusive photograph of S. M. Bruce, new Australian Premier, who is attending the conference of Premiers of British Dominions in London.



Miss Bess B. Wetherholt, of Indianapolis, Ind., National Secretary of the American Legion Auxiliary, is leading a national fight for foster-homes for the 25,000 American children who were orphaned in the World War.



Mr. and Mrs. Horace Gibbs, took to heart Theodore Roosevelt's famous exhortation to safeguard the future of the race. Married in 1902 they have thirteen children, among them a set of twins.



Cora, Countess of Warwick, one of England's richest peeresses and member of one of the most distinguished families in Great Britain was a candidate for the House of Commons in the Warwick and Leamington election, standing on a Labour platform. H. C. Wells, the novelist, is supporting her. She is said to be very radical in her views. Only recently she gave one of her finest castles to the Labour Party so that Labour leaders might spend their week-ends resting up there.



Pale, weary and so weak her voice hardly carried to the back of the courtroom, Miss Anna B. Hogan, 25, attorney, of Jersey City, New Jersey, defended Earl Robertson, a negro, on trial in Hickenack, N. J., on a charge of first-degree murder for shooting to death John Barnes, another negro, in a brickyard at Ferry, N. J. So successful was her plea that she won a verdict of second-degree murder, with a recommendation for mercy.



More pets have arrived at the White House, this time two beautiful cats taking up their home there, along with the two Coolidge dogs. The cats were presented to Mrs. Coolidge by a friend and are known as "Blackie" and "Tige," respectively.

## BRINGING UP FATHER.



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